

THE BRITISH COLONIST.
Saturday Morning, May 4, 1887
Shipping Intelligence.
PORT OF VICTORIA, BRITISH COLUMBIA.
ENTERED
May 3—Stur Isabel, Stamp, New Westminster
CLEARED
May 3—Ship Hamley, Hollis, Nanaimo
Ship Forest, Bradley, St. John
Ship Norwester, Whitford, Port Townsend
Auction Sales To-day.
J. P. DAVIES & CO. Wharf street, will sell at 12 o'clock, noon, at the Cattle Sale Yard, Port street, Horses, Cart, Harness, Weighing Machine, Cows, &c.
P. M. BACKUS. Wharf street, will sell, at 11 o'clock, a. m., at Salesroom, Stoves, Tables, Chairs, Bedstead, Marble Top Washstand, &c.

AUSTRALIA—MURDER OF FOUR DETECTIVES BY BUSHRANGERS—Late files of New South Wales (Australia) papers contain an account of the murder of four detective police officers—named Carroll, Kennagh, Phegan, and McDonald—by a party of bushrangers; known as Clarke's gang. The detectives were hunting for the highwaymen and stayed at Jinden Station over night. On the following morning they started out on foot. About 4 o'clock on the same evening a volley was heard, and about an hour afterwards a few shots. Next day the stockmen came on the bodies of Phegan and McDonald, and the Ballalaba police, while tracking the bushrangers, found the other two bodies. It was open country where the murders were committed. From the position of the bodies, the party are supposed to have been walking together when a volley was fired from behind two large trees close to them. Phegan and McDonald fell together. A rifle bullet entered Phegan's right side, and this wound not being fatal a revolver shot was fired into his left side, the ball passing through. A rifle bullet entered McDonald's thigh, cutting the femoral artery, and he bled to death immediately. The bodies of Carroll and Kennagh were found together half a mile distant from the others. It is conjectured that they escaped the first volley, and ran for cover, were followed, called on to surrender, told to prepare for death, and then deliberately shot. A rifle bullet passed through Carroll's heart. His clothing was singed. A rifle bullet had passed through Kennagh's neck and left lung. Carroll was found lying on his back, with his handkerchief across his breast, and a £1 note pinned to it. One had £14 and the other £19 in his pocket untouched. Three revolvers were found near Phegan. They would seem not to have had one moment's warning before the volley was fired. An inquiry is going on. A woman, at a half a mile distant, saw three men galloping away from the direction where the bodies lay after the shots. The bodies were in an advanced state of decomposition, and their removal to Braidwood was utterly impossible. They were interred at Jinden. Government offered £5000 for the arrest of the murderers. On the following day the gang attacked the Braidwood gold escort, but were driven off after an exchange of shots.

"WHERE'S THE PITY?"—The *News* asks, "Where's the pity" that the new bill does not give the Magistrate power to send to hard labor an Indian whiskey seller for the first offence? The "pity" lies herein: that any loose fish, of the genus loafer, too lazy to work and afraid to steal, may sell a bottle of gin to a native under the very eyes of a policeman, submit to arrest, and have his board and lodging guaranteed for three months without being compelled to work a stroke. That's where the "pity" lies. The Indian Liquor Law is the greatest absurdity on the statute book. It not only fails to prevent the native drinking spirit, but it forces him to imbibe the most villainous whiskey that the ingenuity of man can concoct; whereas, were the trade thrown open to all licensed dealers, the native might procure the same liquor as a white man, and the border of loafers who now fatten on the earnings of the traffic that the law calls illicit, would either have to work or quit the country. With the prohibitory law the rogue has decidedly the advantage of the honest man.

ONE OF O'CONNELL'S odd stories used to be about a Miss Hussey. Her father made a will (said O'Connell) disposing of the bulk of his fortune to public charities. When he was upon his deathbed, his housekeeper asked him how much he had left her Miss Mary. He replied that he had left her £1,000, which would do very well if she married any sort of a good husband. "Heaven bless your honor!" cried the housekeeper, "and what decent man would ever take her with the nose she has got?" "Why, that is really very true," replied the dying father. "I never thought of her nose;" and he lost no time in adding a codicil that gave Miss Mary an additional £150 a year as a set-off against her ugliness.

SALE OF THE CABLE SHIP EGDMONT—Capt Inglis, of the ship Egdmont, yesterday received telegraphic information from her owners in London (Messrs Adamson & Renaldson), that the ship had been sold to the Western Union Telegraph Company, and directing him to deliver the vessel over to the company's agents here. On the return of Mr Lamb from New Westminster the transfer will be effected. The ship will probably remain at Esquimalt as a storehouse until active operations are resumed by the Telegraph Company next summer.

THE ASSAULT WITH A BAR OF IRON—Liverpool Jack, who was arrested for striking an Indian on the head with a bar of iron, pleaded guilty to the charge, and was remanded for one day to allow him an opportunity to compensate the savage for the damage done to his cranium. "Jack's" excuse is that the Indian asked him for liquor, when his honest indignation rose to such a height that he wreaked summary vengeance on the insulter.

"DRURY LANE."—All admirers of fun will come this evening at the opening of the Drury Lane Concert Room, well-known as the Great Eastern Saloon, corner of Wharf and Johnson streets. There will be singing, dancing, comicities, &c., &c. To this Saloon there is a splendid bowling alley attached; also, a first-class restaurant. This place will be conducted on a first-class style, under the management of Wm. Lyons and Tom Lafont. Admission Free.

IN accordance with a suggestion thrown out at the late conference at the London Coffee House as to the causes which have alienated the working population from religious institutions, special sermons were preached on Sunday in various churches and chapels throughout London, to hear which working men were invited by public notices, posted on nearly all the "dead walls" and "advertising stations" of the metropolis. Several eminent preachers volunteered their services for the occasion.

VICTORIA HOUSE—Just received at this Establishment by Express, the prettiest Bonnets and Hats ever imported into the colony and of the fashions now prevailing in Europe, the goods having only left England on the 17th March; also, the latest styles of Trimmings, Lace Shawls, Silk Mantles, Jackets, Brilliants, French Prints, and every description of Spring Goods.

IT is said that her Majesty is determined henceforward to use her royal prerogative, and to allow no criminal to be executed. There are some of us who will regret this exercise of mercy, and who are of the opinion of his Imperial Majesty of France, who is willing to abolish the punishment of death only on the conditions that messieurs the assassins first set the example!—*London News.*

ACCIDENT—Messrs Charles Clark and Wm C. Robinson, while riding together yesterday, were simultaneously thrown to the ground by the shying of their horses and sustained slight bruises, which did not, however, necessitate medical aid.

RATINGS MATCH—At Round the Corner Saloon last evening, Shipper's Joe was occupied one minute and ten seconds in killing S. S. S. while Ellen's "Jack" did the same service for the community in 55 seconds. "Jack" is therefore the champion of the heavy weights.

MECHANICS' INSTITUTE EXCURSION—The advertisement of the Mechanics' Institute Excursion appears this morning. It is proposed to go to the British garrison on San Juan Island, on Queen's Birthday, and devote the day to recreation and enjoyment.

FOR NEW WESTMINSTER—The steamer Enterprise left yesterday morning for Fraser River with about 20 passengers and 60 tons of freight. Judge Cox and Messrs Lumister, Woodcock, and Bullock, were among the passengers.

THE two new legal peers are gazetted. Sir Hugh Cairns will bear the title of Lord Cairns, while Mr McNeill falls back upon "Colonsay"—the courtesy title which he assumed on his appointment as a Lord of Session.

SALE OF A SCHONER—A three-fourth part of the large schooner Discovery was disposed of by Mr Backus on Thursday for \$750. Capt George Parkes was the purchaser.

CRICKET—A bus will leave the Bee Hive at 8 1/2 o'clock this morning for Colwood Farm, where the return cricket match between the Victoria Eleven and the Fleet will be played.

REMOVAL—Mrs Jamieson has removed to the N.W. corner of Douglas and Fort streets, where will always be found a well assorted stock of groceries, etc., at the lowest cash prices.

ON THE WAYS—The schooner Spring Vale was yesterday successfully placed on Williams & Arthur's ways at Esquimalt for repairs.

WE understand that, on account of the representations made to her Majesty, the proposition to give a regiment to Prince Christian has been abandoned.—*Gleaner.*

GOVERNOR SEYMOUR was at Government buildings yesterday for several hours, engaged in transacting public business.

SUPREME COURT.
The steamer Emily Harris vs. the schooner Kate—Suit for salvage.
The case was one in which the schooner Kate, late December, got on the rocks off Victoria harbor during a storm, and was assisted off by the Emily Harris. Capt. Pratt claimed \$350 for his service. Capt. Waller, of the Kate, offered him \$50, alleging that the service rendered could have been as efficiently performed by himself and crew.
The Court overruled the tender, and decreed \$200 to be paid to the Emily Harris.
Mr McReight, instructed by Mr Bishop, for plaintiff; Mr Robertson, by Drake & Jackson, for defendant.

ETIQUETTE—The true gentleman is always at ease in any society. When, therefore, you go to a house where you are comparatively a stranger, prove at once that you feel at home by slapping the host on the back. It will add to the effect if you take the mistress of the house round the waist and say, "Kitchen, kitchen!" playfully. A graceful humor is always appreciated in good society. Keep this in mind, you may indulge in various little pleasantries. For instance, at supper ask in a loud voice for various dishes not likely to be on the table; and when your hostess says there is no pleasure (or whatever it may be), say, "Then I'll take two help, please." Dress is the test of the gentleman. No real gentleman can by any possibility be mistaken for a waiter, at an evening party—especially if he wears a red velvet waistcoat, a green silk tie, and a striped shirt. That settles the question at once. To be able to dance well is a great desideratum for those who go to balls. If you don't happen to be a good dancer, you can get the reputation of being one by asking a young lady to dance, making a few turns, and then leading her to a seat with the remark, that she evidently has no knowledge of time.

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